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A Twentieth Century Achievement

Perhaps the highest achievement in the scientific world was reached recently when telephone conversation was carried on between Washington, New York, Boston and San Francisco, with as much ease as though those conversing were only a few miles apart. This remarkable achievement was enjoyed by President Wilson of the United States. Pro-tem, Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone; Thomas A. Watson, the first man to whom Mr. Bell ever talked over the telephone; President Moore of the Panama Pacific Exposition, and many others. It was the inauguration of the transcontinental commercial telephone system and it required over 3,400 miles of wire to connect the eastern with the western coast. It was as though the Atlantic had reached over in its mighty splendor and shaken hands with the peaceful Pacific.

The conversation occurred about 4 o'clock eastern time, and 1 o'clock San Francisco time.

President Wilson was the first person not connected with the telephone company to enjoy the privilege of hearing a human voice over 3,400 miles of wire. He stepped to the telephone, and, placing the receiver to his ear, said, in a very clear and impressive manner, to President Moore of the Panama and Pacific Exposition: "It appeals to the imagination to speak across the continent."

It is a fine omen for the exposition that the first thing it has done is to send my greetings to the management and to all whose work has made it the great event it promises to be, and to convey my personal congratulations to you."

As the president finished, President Moore of the great exposition responded: "We are looking forward to your coming here. I think you will be well pleased with what we have done. I assure you, Mr. President, that will never receive a welcome that will be more cordial or more enthusiastic."

Thirty-four years ago, when Alexander Graham Bell invented the telephone, his first conversation was with Mr. Thomas A. Watson. They talked over a line two miles long. At the close of President Wilson's talk with President Moore, Mr. Bell, who was in New York, came in on the line, and Mr. Watson, who was in San Francisco, was also connected, and the three held a short conversation, congratulating each other on the scientific achievement.

The President said: "I consider it an honor to be able to express my admiration for the inventive genius and scientific knowledge that has made this possible, and my pride that this vital cord should have been stretched across America as a new symbol of our unity and our enterprise. Will you not convey my cordial congratulations to Mr. Bell, and I want to convey to you (meaning Mr. Watson) my personal congratulations."

It is an interesting fact that Dr. Bell and Mr. Watson used the instruments in accomplishing the transcontinental conversation that they used thirty-four years ago in accomplishing their two miles conversation. They also used a part of the same wire used then.

President Wilson also talked with Theodore N. Vall, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, who was at the time in the coast of California, from which the conversation was held, the greatest feat of the kind ever arranged.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M. Jan. 24, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that there has this day been received in this office, for filing, the approved plat of the official survey of the following townships:

Twp. 7 S. Range 34-E.
" 8 S. " 34-E.
" 9 S. " 35-E.
" 11 S. " 32-E.
" 13 S. Ranges 32, 33 and 35-E.
" 14 S. " 32, 34 " 35-E.
" 15 S. " 33 and 34-E.
" 16 S. " 32, 33 and 34-E.
" 17 S. " 32, 33 " 34-E.
" 18 S. " 33 and 34-E.
" 19 S. " 33 " 34-E.
" 20 S. " 34 " 35-E.

Said plat will be officially filed at 9 o'clock A. M. March 5th, 1915, at which time the land in said townships will become subject to entry or selection.

Applications to enter or select lands in said townships, when accompanied by the required fee and commissions, will be accepted by this office on and after February 13, 1915, but all such applications received before the time of filing said plat will be held and considered as if filed simultaneously with those presented at the hour of filing said plat.

Emmett Patton, Register
W. G. Cowan, Receiver
Jan. 29, Feb. 26.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

United States Land Office, Roswell, N. M. Jan. 29, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that there has this day been received in this office, for filing, the approved plat of the official survey of the following townships:

Twp. 18 S. Range 32-E.
" 19 S. R. 32-E.
" 20 S. R. 33-E. of the New Mexico Principal Meridian.

Said plat will be officially filed at 9 o'clock A. M. March 9, 1915, at which time the land in said townships will become subject to entry and selection.

Application to enter or select lands in said townships, when accompanied by the required fee and commissions, will be accepted by this office on and after February 17, 1915; but all such applications received before the time of filing said plat will be held and considered as if filed simultaneously with those presented at the hour of filing said plat.

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Feb. 5—March 5.

LISTEN!!!

The Methodist ladies will give an Old Fashioned—Remember—Old Fashioned spelling match out of the old Blue Back Speller, at the Moving Picture building Friday night Feb. 26. There will be an extra program arranged also, but the spelling match for ALL is the main feature of the occasion. Don't forget to come, and Don't forget to Spell. Admission, 20 cts.

Rev. J. H. Clouse the Baptist minister, filled his regular appointment at High Lonesome, preaching Saturday night, Sunday and Sunday night. He reports two accessions to the church and one conversion.

We have just learned that G. C. Stiles of Knowles who was taken to east Texas for medical treatment some time ago, died last Saturday. He was a step-father to Jim Anderson of this place.

W. S. Holifield and wife left in their car this morning for a day or so at Roswell.

F. J. Robinson is up but still not able to stay at the store. It seems that the lagrippe is about to get the best of him.

Radio Notes

Radio has been blown out for some time, but we are still in the market for news.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Houston enjoyed a visit from their daughter, Mrs. Earl Hardin of the Horse Camp, the front end of the week.

Mrs. Bob Williams had business in Monument Monday. Will Terry went to Monument Tuesday.

J. H. Wise brought in a load of groceries for our local merchant Tuesday.

E. D. House made a trip to Midland the past week.

We are glad to note that Mrs. Bert Weir is improving after a month's illness.

Quite a number of pupils have been absent recently entertaining the chicken pox.

Mrs. W. R. Owen, of Crosbyton Texas, came in Tuesday to be at the bedside of her husband who is very ill of pneumonia at the home of J. H. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Toley were entertained at the home of W. R. Bileby Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Lizzie Price visited with Mrs. M. L. Thorn Saturday and Sunday.

preparations that were never excelled in the history of the city.

The city officials, state officials and others prominently connected with the public and commercial life of each individual community were present, and all enjoyed the wonderful feast accomplished.

—Hagerman Messenger.

A Courageous Fireman

The fire boys don't have many chances to display their heroism in Roswell, but even when they do, as a rule no one is apt to appreciate.

Ralph Starr, extra fireman, who always goes with the boys to a real fire or to their practice stunts, pulled off a spectacular stunt yesterday morning that was worth the money, and more so, inasmuch as he saved the life of a regular fireman.

Chief Charles Whiteman had taken the boys to the Mont Miller four story building to practice with the pompier ladders. The boys were scaling the fourth story of the unfinished hotel at the corner of Fifth and Pecos streets. It came Fireman Ratcliffe's turn to throw the ladder from story to story. He had scaled to the fourth and threw

the ladder from the fourth window of the fourth floor to the roof, and thinking that the ladder had taken hold of the roof far enough back for him to climb, Ratcliffe started to climb.

Just then the ladder slipped and turned over backwards with Ratcliffe and started to drop some 90 feet with Ratcliffe head first. Extra Fireman Ralph Starr, who was standing in the window on the fourth floor, quick as a flash saw the danger and snatched for the man as he dropped passed the window. He was too late to catch Ratcliffe, but took hold of the ladder just in time, and held the ladder as Ratcliffe dangled in the air until the other fire boys could take Ratcliffe down to safety.

Starr was slightly bruised and rather strained but that was all the danger excepting a pretty scared Ratcliffe. —Roswell Morning News.

W. O. W.

Lovington, N. M. Jan. 24, 1915.

Notice is hereby given that there has this day been received in this office, for filing, the approved plat of the official survey of the following townships:

Twp. 21 S. Ra. 33, 34 and 36-E.

" 22 S. Ra. 33, 34 and 36-E.

" 23 S. Ra. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38-E.

" 24 S. Ra. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38-E.

" 25 S. Ra. 33, 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38-E.

" 26 S. Ra. 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38-E.

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NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION

Thomas O. Read, of Lovington, N. M., who on Feb. 14, 1912 made H. E. Serial No. 025718 for N. E. Sec. 9 Twp. 16-S. R. 35-S. N. M. P. M. has filed notice of intention to make final three year proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before Edward M. Love, U. S. Commissioner in his office at Lovington, N. M. Feb. 24, 1915.

Claimant names as witnesses: Chad O. Gilly, Edward H. Chick, Warren T. Lay, Albert B. Love, all of Lovington, N. M. Emmett Patton, Register.
Jan. 22, Feb. 19.

Plains Teachers Institute At Lovington, N. M. Feb. 20, 1915.

1. Opening Exercise.
2. Primary Geography.
(a) Method of teaching land and water divisions.
(b) Map drawing.
By Miss Edith Shapland.
Discussion by institute.
- (3) Reading.— By Miss Forbes.
- (4) How raise the standard of education on the plains?
By Mr. Mann.
- (5) Busy work—Primary grades.
By Mrs. Jennie Wright.
Discussion by institute.
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- (6) Domestic Science and manual training.
By Miss Effie Anderson.
Discussion by institute.
- (7) Reading by Mrs. L. L. Coleman.
- (8) Composition—written.
(a) Oral preparation
(b) Written work
By Miss Thurman.
- (9) Arithmetic
(a) Method of teaching concrete problems.
(b) Methods of teaching interest.
By Miss Myrtle Yadon.
Discussion by institute.
- (10) School Government
(a) Object
(b) How maintained
(c) Discuss corporal punishments
By R. R. James.

Committee: Mrs. L. L. Coleman
J. L. Foley

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